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GRAVEN CARRANZA.

If Gen. Carranza has really ordered 5000 Mexican troops to take the field against Villa, he is doing it not only too late but for the obvious purpose of shielding his government from the natural result of American intervention—collapse.

Never at any time since he attained a measure of prominence in Mexico has Carranza manifested any ability to handle the situations that confronted him. He was put in his present position by the United States. It was Uncle Sam that furnished him munitions and cut them off from Villa; it was Uncle Sam that allowed Carranza to send armed men across American territory to attack the Villa forces—an elasticity of policy which deserved the censure it received.

Borne into power by the strength and resources of the United States, kept there by the prestige of this country, Carranza was unable to put down the impoverished Villa and his ragged followers. At one time Villa had less than 200 men at his call. Now he has between one and two thousands—perhaps more ere this, for the Mexicans flock after any leader of ordinary bravery and ability.

Carranza has been a worthless stick upon which Uncle Sam leaned; a worthless security for the American lives and property south of the Rio Grande. His personal record is almost if not quite as unscrupulous and rapacious as that of Huerta, but he lacks two of Huerta's leading characteristics—capacity for holding liquor without losing his head, and plain every-day courage. In endorsing the Carranza regime, the United States upheld a man whose persecution of religious orders makes up as black a record as that of Huerta and one on whose hands was quite as much blood. Carranza failed just as predictions from most of those acquainted with Mexico said he would fail.

The administration's policy in Mexico has ended in disaster, no matter what the American troops now do. Watchful waiting was chucked overboard on Thursday morning when the Villa bandits raided Columbus.

CALLING IRELAND TO THE COLORS.

Much is heard in the United States about the unwillingness of Irishmen to fight with the British troops in this war. Unquestionably the anti-English feeling among the sons of Erin is playing an important part. But John Redmond's impassioned pleas to his countrymen are having their effect, to judge by Associated Press correspondence from London.

The correspondent says that Redmond, the veteran leader of the Irish Home Rulers, has been conducting a notable and strenuous campaign in Ireland for army recruits. He has held meetings in scores of centers, directing his attention particularly to the agricultural classes, and appealing to them to defend the "old sod" which they love.

It is not easy yet to judge the success of his trip. In large measure he has hopes that he has sowed a seed which will later bring forth fruit. Even Mr. Redmond is a little uncertain as to how much his campaign has done.

"I often wonder," he remarked in reply to a question, "whether the Irish farmers realize what is at stake in this war. I have tried to show them that if it goes on indefinitely Ireland will be crushed by taxation and her farmers will lose absolutely and completely the whole value of all that they have won in the past. If Germany is victorious, I believe that the country will be beggared."

"Is it easy to convince them?" Mr. Redmond was asked.

"No, it is not," he replied. "I am afraid they have not been approached properly in the matter of recruiting. They have been unwisely attacked and abused, and in some districts provocative speeches have been made."

Turning to his belief in Ireland's vital inter-

est in pushing the war, Mr. Redmond said:

"Every day that has passed since the war began has convinced me more and more profoundly that the highest interest of Ireland from every point of view is the speedy and victorious end of this war. I feel it so strongly that if I stood alone I would still raise my voice, even though it were in vain; and I would face any consequence, political or otherwise, which might ensue. And when this great contest is over, when Ireland has faced the test submitted so suddenly, when success has crowned the arms of the Allies, then I am certain, Ireland will have added a proud chapter to her history."

SUEZ AND EGYPT.

Travelers who have recently passed through the Suez Canal and later visited Honolulu have mentioned the extraordinary precautions taken along the canal route by the British military authorities, and it appears from the investigations of an Associated Press correspondent that the same rigid precautions rule almost all Egypt.

Egypt is still very much in the dark as to what is going on along its frontier. Rumors of the most sensational kinds are circulated, but there can be no doubt that the military authorities are running no risks as far as the defense of the canal is concerned.

The canal zone was long ago made a restricted area in the most restricted military sense. Any person desiring to travel by rail way to any station within the canal zone is required to obtain a special permit which is only obtained after searching inquiries on the part of the military officials. The permit may be either temporary—for one trip only—or permanent—for such as require to pay frequent visits to Port Said or Suez for business reasons. Any permit is revocable on the instant at the will of the officials.

In the case of foreigners, application must first be made to the proper consular authority, which is then forwarded to the Public Security Department for investigation. Before returning from any place in the canal zone, the traveler must obtain a return permit, properly stamped by the governor of Port Said or Suez on the Mamm of Ismailia. Similar restrictions apply to persons residing within the canal zone and desirous of traveling to any station outside of it.

In many ways the canal zone is ideal for defensive purposes. The railway runs along the west bank of the canal from Port Said for sixty or seventy miles. There has been intense activity throughout the entire canal belt throughout the winter.

The despatches say that the Allies are going to start a great movement from Saloniki. Wonder if it will be along the lines of their last movement from Gallipoli?

The Emir Ibnalrashed of Resht is said to have declared a "holy war" in Persia but it won't be regular until we hear from the justly famous Ahkond of Swat.

Everybody seems to agree that both concrete and bitulithic are good paving materials. In their places—and nobody seems to agree where those places are.

British and Turkish forces are now operating around the supposed Garden of Eden. This war must afford a lot of satisfaction to the serpent.

The readiness of the Democrats in Congress to postpone their Philippine bill is suspiciously like an effort to sidestep it.

But what a fine outlet for the Colonel's berserker rage this Mexican situation should afford!

The political pot seldom hesitates to call the kettle black.

Remarks about this fine weather are always in order.

INTERMEDIATE BOYS OF LOCAL Y. M. C. A. TO ATTEND CHURCH

The young men of the Intermediate department of the Young Men's Christian Association will have what they call their "Intermediate Sunday" tomorrow evening. They will gather at the association building at 7 o'clock and from there they will march to Central Union church to hear Rev. A. A. Elersole give an address for the occasion. The Kamehameha faculty quartet will have charge of the music. James Wakefield, chairman of the Intermediate department, will head

the procession. The department will be divided into five companies representing the five clubs of the department. These five companies will be under the leadership of the presidents of the various clubs. Wm. Serrao will have charge of the El Globo Company; Percy Ball of the "Get Ready;" Peter Kawekiu of the "Knights of Kamehameha;" A. Towe Young of the "Washington;" and John Haglund of the "Double X."

From paper made of the fiber of the mulberry tree a Japanese naval officer has invented a lifeboat that can be folded into a space of about a cubic foot.

UTILITIES AND HARBOR BILLS PASSED SENATE

News of the passage of the Public Utility Bill and the Harbor Board Bill in the senate was received yesterday by Delegate Kuhio in a cablegram from Geo. McK. McClellan. They will now go to the President for his signature.

The bill to change the franchise of the Island Electric Company of Maui to enable the company to extend its lines to the district of Makawao was held up on the objection of Senator A. J. Grona of North Dakota.

HOPES BABY WEEK WILL RESULT IN BETTER CARE OF CHILDREN'S EYES

That much of good will result from a baby welfare educational campaign in Honolulu is the belief of Dr. William G. Rogers, specialist in disorders of the eye, ear, nose and throat, Young building.

"Honolulu is not as far advanced in this line, in the case of a large proportion of the population," Dr. Rogers told the Star-Bulletin in mentioning baby welfare week, "and there is no doubt that great benefits will result from such a movement."

Dr. Rogers handles a good many of the child cases that are brought to the Children's hospital, so that he speaks from experience. He says that records go to show that 80 per cent of all blindness is caused from the fact that children born with defective sight are not treated properly, a thing which is common among the poorer classes of this city.

"It is possible that we do not have trouble of this sort as much as in some of the larger cities," says Dr. Rogers, "but it is common nevertheless."

NEWSPAPERS TO GIVE PUBLICITY TO 'BABY WEEK'

Beginning Monday, Star-Bulletin Will Publish Series of Articles on Movement

Next week will be "Publicity Week" for Honolulu's proposed "Baby Week," and through the medium of the local newspapers, the residents of the city will be informed regarding the why and wherefore of the occasion.

Beginning on Monday, the Star-Bulletin will print each day an article written by one of the many well-known women who are back of the local movement. These articles will be run during the entire week as follows:

Monday—"A Plea for Babies," by Miss Ermine Cross, director of the Castle Kindergarten. This paper will deal with the question of whether people realize that, to have better babies, they must first have better homes and fewer burdens.

Tuesday—"Causes of Infant Mortality," by Mrs. E. D. Kilbourne. Three hundred and four babies, under one year of age, died in Honolulu during the fiscal period ending June 30, last.

Wednesday—"The Purpose of Preventive Organizations," by Miss Jeanie Rae of the Pacific Sanatorium. This paper will deal with district nursing and those homes which take care of children. The Palama settlement now maintains six dispensaries throughout Honolulu, and 12 nurses.

Thursday—"The Curative Organizations of Honolulu," by Mrs. Isaac M. Cox. This paper will deal with the hospitals, Associated Charities, and other organizations doing relief work.

Friday—"The Exhibits in Connection With Child Welfare Work," by Mrs. L. L. Loochouraw, wife of the pastor of the Methodist church. This will be an outline, with charts, showing the results of malnutrition and poor home conditions, as well as the "do's" and "don'ts" in the care of children.

Plans for Next Year. Saturday—"The Central Child Welfare Committee's Plans for Next Year." This paper probably will be prepared by Mrs. James A. Rath of the Palama Settlement, one of the prime movers in the "Baby Week" movement.

Daily articles also are to be furnished the Advertiser, and to the other local papers in various languages. Miss E. V. Warner will handle the publicity in The Friend and its Hawaiian edition. The Nippon Jiji begins an energetic campaign Monday.

Those who have been asked to prepare articles for the Advertiser are: Mrs. Walter F. Frost, Dr. J. S. B. Pratt, Mrs. R. O. Matheson, Mrs. Philip Weaver, Mrs. Fred Macfarlane and Mrs. Montague Cooke.

Mrs. Rath today announced that the president of the Medical Association, Dr. E. D. Kilbourne, will give his assistance in the movement. The next meeting of women interested in "Baby Week" probably will be held shortly after April 1.

The patent office, with a credit in the treasury of \$7,000,000, has had to stop publishing the official Gazette for the technical lack of a necessary \$6,000.

President Puentes has requested that the post of Chilean ambassador at Washington be again offered to Jeronim Rieco, former president of Chile.

An increase of \$8,500,000 to be divided equally between preferred and common has been authorized in the capital stock of the United States Steel Co.

less, and proper training would provide against much of it.

Neglect Nose and Throat. Japanese families seem to be trained better in the care of infants' eyes than Chinese, he says, but the Japanese know very little as a class, in regard to nose and throat trouble, with the result that many cases of adenoids develop in the children.

"Children should also be educated in the handling of dangerous playthings," the doctor continues. "It is surprising how many cases of this kind an eye specialist has to treat."

"For example, at the present time I have a woman from Walpahu under treatment who has lost the sight in one eye because of a careless shot from a youngster with a toy air rifle. "Some time ago I had the case of a boy at Iolani school who had his sight in one eye destroyed by being shot as he was looking through a knot hole. These are cases where continued education is bound to prevent much misery."

BABY WEEK GETS BIG BOOST FROM JUDGE ASHFORD

Hawaiian Mothers, Especially, Need Instruction in Proper Care of Offspring

Circuit Judge C. W. Ashford, who recently condemned the push carts which furnish lunches, candy and other eatables to the school children, has announced himself as a booster for "Baby Week."

"Never having been a mother, I cannot speak from their standpoint," he declared today, smiling. Then he added, seriously:

"There is no doubt that the infant mortality is abnormally high in these islands, and that this fact is largely attributable to the ignorance or otherwise culpable neglect of parents, principally Hawaiian mothers."

"I feel that the mothers, and especially Hawaiian mothers, cannot be too frequently or too deeply instructed concerning the care of their offspring."

"I speak purely as a layman, but my observation, distributed over one-third of a century in this country, justifies these conclusions: I hope that when the mothers are assembled they will be instructed concerning the poisonous influences of the perambulating lunch wagon, ice cream of inferior or filthy quality, and the various brands of deleterious drinks with which the children, and especially school children, of the country insult their 'nannies,' and upon which they squander not only their health but the good money of their parents."

Miss Lucy Ward, humane officer, and juvenile Judge W. L. Whitney today expressed themselves as being heartily in favor of a week of instruction for mothers.

PUTTING AMERICAN HEROES INTO BOOKS FOR JAPANESE HERE

George Washington and the story of the cherry tree will supplant the stories of the ancient heroes of Japan in the new text books for the Japanese schools in this city.

The Japanese committee in charge of drafting an outline of the Japanese text books to be used in the schools have completed their work, and all text books in the future will tell the story of Americans of note in history instead of stories of prominent Japanese.

The committee has been working on this plan for some time, and the readers, histories and geographies will all be based on the American plan. Herebefore the text books used by Japanese here were the same as in Japan, but prominent local educators advocated that the younger students are Americans and should study the same books as are used in the American schools.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Manuel Kramer, Portuguese 24
Angelina De Coite, Portuguese 20

Jack Keirns, American 29
Dora Bentley, Russian 28

C. H. Park, Korean 29
Klim K. Nam, Korean 20

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LITTLE INTERVIEWS

CAPT. WILLIAM R. FOSTER, harbormaster: Maybe the National Guard of Hawaii will get a chance to chase a few Mexicans.

L. B. REEVES, boarding officer: Maj. Gen. Fred Funston is a small man physically, but if there's anyone who can catch Villa it is he.

FRED WHITNEY: So they've appointed Funston to control that bunch of Villistas, eh? He's the Aguinaldo man. Let's hope he does the Mexican job as well as the Filipino one.

R. J. TAYLOR, customs inspector: We are putting in our spare time these days measuring the rest of the refugee German merchant steamers. There's a lot of arithmetic in the job, too.

G. K. LARRISON: Those 2nd Infantry boys at Shafter can surely march. I saw them in the parade yesterday which was given in honor of Col. Chaffield, and they made a fine show.

CAPT. NORRIS STAYTON: We are planning on having a big time at the bowlers' dinner on March 25. We have not decided whether to frame for a ten-strike steak or a spare rib. At any rate, every diner will split even.

H. E. WESCOTT, city purchasing agent: I want a lot to put under my house on Wilder avenue. Do you suppose a want ad would help me find one? I bought a nice new lot a little while ago, but the rains flooded the Makiki flume and it overflowed, carrying my lot down the valley. My house stands in the air, and I have to jump up to it.

PAUL STEEL: The talk given last evening by Wallace R. Farrington before the members of the Citizenship Education Committee was a very clear statement. He gave the reasons for the work on citizenship education in such a way as to impress all of his

JAPANESE LOYAL TO U. S. AROUSE IRE OF PAPER

Kwazan, Published in Hilo, Makes Bitter Attacks on Members of Association

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence) HILO, March 11.—According to translation handed to the Herald, the Japanese newspaper, Kwazan, published in Hilo, is roasting all the Hawaiian-born Japanese who have joined the Japanese-American Association.

The paper is quoted as saying that the Japanese who have joined the association are a "surrendered people" and that they should have died a martyr's death before the overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy.

The paper also adds that the summit of Mauna Kea would be a fine place for such a death on falling dead by drowning in Hilo Bay would prove a nice pleasant end. The writer also suggests that all the members of the association might "well become priests and work for the mutual good of Japan and the United States."

The article, which has raised the wrath of the members of the association, also goes on to say that the Japanese-Americans have no power to declare publicly that they "will draw the strings of their bows or let off their guns against Japan."

Members with the necessity for helping in the work. His phrase: "That the republic is the sum total of the individual's efforts," stated the work of the committee in the proper light.

Ernest Meyer, editor of the Berlin Vorwarts, a socialist paper, was placed on trial in Berlin for inciting class hatred.

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